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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF  
HELMSLEY

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ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
W.R.M. COUPER, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.  
for the Year  
1958

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Including the Report  
of the  
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
F.W. STONEY, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

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THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1958

The Chairman & Members of the Council.

Mr. Chairman & Members,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Health of the District for the year 1958.

All tables in this report give figures for the Rural Districts Of Helmsley, Kirkbymoorside, Malton and Pickering and the Urban Districts of Malton and Pickering. The statistical data shown against "All Districts" in this report relates to the area comprised of these districts.

Section "A" (Tables I to XIV) gives statistics relating to population, births and deaths. Because of the small population in each district it will be noticed that there are marked variations between districts. For example the Infant Mortality Rate for Pickering Urban District is 72.7 per 1000 live births, England and Wales 22.5. The Infant Mortality Rate for Pickering Urban District for the years 1954 to 1958 inclusive is 13.5 per 1000 live births.

Section "B" relates to Notifiable Diseases and Tuberculosis.

W.R.M. COUPER

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH



DISTRICT	MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH	PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
Helmsley Rural	W.R.M. Couper, M.B., 6h.B., D.P.H., Health Office, Train Lane, Pickering, Telephone - Pickering 314	F.W. Stoney, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.  C.H. Carr, C.R.S.I., M.A.P.H.I.
Kirkbymoorside Rural	- do -	F.W. Stoney, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.  G. Stephenson, A.R.S.A. M.A.I.A.
Malton Rural	- do -	W.E. Wigglesworth M.A.I.A., C.R.S.I.
Malton Urban	- do -	J.L. Tong, C.R.S.I.
Pickering Rural	- do -	P. Pickering, M.R.S.I. M.A.I.A.
Pickering Urban	- do -	G. Batty, C.R.S.I.

SECTION 'A'

STATISTICS & GENERAL CONDITIONS.

TABLE I.

District.	Estimated Mid-Year Population	Area in Acres	No. of inhabited houses	Rateable Value	Product of Penny Rate
Helmsley Rural	5,320	67,750	1,432	£39,654	£145-7-6d
Kirbymoorside Rural	4,940	51,000	1,510	£32,897	£118.
Malton Rural	5,520	47,076	1,850	£33,954	£134.
Malton Urban	4,160	4,016	1,251	£48,213	£210-17-6d
Pickering Rural	5,050	76,685	1,765	£34,382	£132.
Pickering Urban	4,100	15,652	1,414	£40,088	£158.
All Districts	29,090	262,181			

VITAL STATISTICS

TABLE II - LIVE BIRTHS MALE & FEMALE.

District	Live Births		
	Male	Female	Male & Female
Helmsley Rural	32	25	57
Kirbymoorside Rural	30	27	57
Malton Rural	43	46	89
Malton Urban	47	23	70
Pickering Rural	31	18	49
Pickering Urban	27	28	55
All Districts	210	167	377



TABLE III.

Crude live birth rate (i.e. births per 1000 estimated population) and adjusted birth rate (i.e. birth rate multiplied by comparability factor).

District	Crude Live Birth Rate	Comparability Factor	Adjusted Birth Rate
Helmsley Rural	10.7	1.34	14.3
Kirbymoorside Rural	11.5	1.14	13.1
Malton Rural	16.0	1.14	18.2
Malton Urban	16.8	1.09	18.3
Pickering Rural	9.7	1.20	11.2
Pickering Urban	13.4	1.14	15.3
All Districts	13.0	1.17	15.2

TABLE IV

Still Births - Male, Female & Still births & Still Birth Rate per 1000 total births

District	Still Births			Still Birth Rate.
	Male	Female	Total	
Helmsley Rural	-	-	-	Nil
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	1	1	17.2
Malton Rural	1	-	1	11.1
Malton Urban	1	-	1	14.1
Pickering Rural	2	-	2	40.8
Pickering Urban	2	-	2	35.1
All Districts	6	1	7	18.2

TABLE V. ALL BIRTHS LEGITIMATE &amp; ILLEGITIMATE, MALE &amp; FEMALE

District	Legitimate			Illegitimate			Total
	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male & Female
Helmsley Rural	31	22	53	1	3	4	57
Kirbymoorside Rural	28	28	56	2	-	2	58
Malton Rural	41	44	85	3	2	5	90
Malton Urban	46	23	69	2	-	2	71
Pickering Rural	33	18	51	-	-	-	51
Pickering Urban	28	26	54	1	2	3	57
All Districts	207	161	368	9	7	16	384

TABLE VI

Deaths of infants under 1 year and under 1 month by sexes.

Number of deaths							
							All infant deaths
		Under 1 year		Under 1 month			
District	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male	Female	Male & Female	Male & Female
Helmsley Rural	2	-	2	1	-	1	2
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malton Rural	3	-	3	2	-	2	3
Malton Urban	1	1	2	1	-	1	2
Pickering Rural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	3	1	4	3	1	4	4
All Districts	9	2	11	7	1	8	11

TABLE VII.

Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 live births, Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 legitimate births and Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Illegitimate births.

District	Infant Mortality Rate		
	Per 1000 Live Births	Per 1000 Legitimate Births	Per 1000 Illegitimate births.
Helmsley Rural	35.1	18.9	250
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-
Malton Rural	33.7	35.3	-
Malton Urban	28.6	14.7	-
Pickering Rural	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	72.7	76.9	-
All Districts	29.2	27.7	66.7

TABLE VIII

Neonatal Mortality Rate (Deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age per 1000 live births).

District	Number of Deaths Under 4 weeks of age	Neonatal Mortality Rate
Helmsley Rural	1	17.5
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-
Malton Rural	2	22.5
Malton Urban	1	14.3
Pickering Rural	-	-
Pickering Urban	4	72.7
All Districts	8	21.2

TABLE IX Maternal Deaths

There were no deaths attributable to pregnancy, childbirth or abortion.

TABLE X.

Percentage of Illegitimate Live Births.

District	Number of Live Births	Number of Illegitimate Live Births	Percentage of Illegitimate Live Births
Helmsley Rural	57	4	7.0%
Kirbymoorside Rural	57	2	3.5%
Malton Rural	89	4	4.5%
Malton Urban	70	2	2.9%
Pickering Rural	49	Nil	Nil
Pickering Urban	55	3	5.5%
All Districts	377	15	4.0%

TABLE XI

Deaths - Deaths by sexes, total deaths, crude death rate, comparability factor and adjusted death rate.

District	Deaths			Crude Death Rate	Comparability Factor	Adjusted Death Rate
	Male	Female	Total			
Helmsley Rural	33	29	62	11.7	1.09	12.8
Kirbymoorside Rural	19	37	56	11.3	0.89	10.1
Malton Rural	37	36	73	13.2	0.97	12.8
Malton Urban	34	29	63	15.1	0.98	14.8
Pickering Rural	29	35	64	12.7	0.84	10.7
Pickering Urban	34	34	68	16.8	0.92	15.5
All Districts	186	200	386	12.7	0.95	12.1

TABLE XII

Comparative Table - Adjusted Birth & Death Rates, Infant Mortality, Neonatal Mortality, & Still Birth Rates by districts & England & Wales.

District	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infant Mortality Rate	Neonatal Mortality Rate	Still Birth Rate
Helmsley Rural	14.3	12.8	35.1	17.5	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	13.1	10.1	-	-	17.2
Malton Rural	18.2	12.8	33.7	22.5	11.1
Malton Urban	18.3	14.8	28.6	14.3	14.1
Pickering Rural	11.2	10.7	-	-	40.8
Pickering Urban	15.3	15.5	72.7	72.7	35.1
All Districts	15.2	12.1	29.2	21.2	18.2
England & Wales	16.4	11.7	22.5	16.2	21.6



TABLE XIII

Natural Increase or Decrease by Districts i.e. excess of births over deaths or vice versa.

District	Live Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Natural Increase per 1000 Population	Natural Decrease	Natural Decrease per 1000 Population
Helmsley Rural	57	62	-	-	5	0.9
Kirbymoorside Rural	57	56	1	0.2	-	-
Malton Rural	89	73	16	2.9	-	-
Malton Urban	70	63	7	1.7	-	-
Pickering Rural	49	64	-	-	15	3.0
Pickering Urban	55	68	-	-	13	3.2
All Districts	377	386	-	-	9	0.3

TABLE XIV

Births and Deaths by Districts for years 1954 to 1958 and natural increase or decrease.

District	Year	Births	Deaths	Increase or Decrease	Total Increase or Decrease 1954 to 1958
Helmsley Rural	1954	65	54	+11	+35
	1955	60	45	+15	
	1956	54	41	+13	
	1957	55	54	+ 1	
	1958	57	62	- 5	
Kirbymoorside Rural	1954	67	64	+ 3	+25
	1955	56	52	+ 4	
	1956	69	55	+14	
	1957	62	59	+ 3	
	1958	57	56	+ 1	
Malton Rural	1954	74	68	+ 6	+70
	1955	63	62	+ 1	
	1956	77	56	+21	
	1957	80	54	+26	
	1958	89	73	+16	
Malton Urban	1954	58	60	- 2	+ 40
	1955	61	53	+ 8	
	1956	68	50	+18	
	1957	58	51	+ 7	
	1958	70	63	+ 7	
Pickering Rural	1954	54	64	-10	-15
	1955	67	57	+10	
	1956	67	70	- 3	
	1957	71	68	+ 3	
	1958	49	64	-15	
Pickering Urban	1954	60	65	- 5	-20
	1955	65	62	+ 3	
	1956	56	67	-11	
	1957	60	54	+ 6	
	1958	55	68	-13	
All Districts	1954 ) 1958 )				+135

## Causes of deaths by districts for year ended 31st December, 1958.

Cause of Death	District																All Districts				
	Helmsley			K/M'side			Malton			Malton			Pickering			All Districts					
	Rural			Rural			Rural			Urban			Rural			Urban			Districts		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
2.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
3.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
6.	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
10	3	-	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	5	3	5	3	8
11	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	-	1	3	2	6	4	4
12	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	1	3
13	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
14	4	3	7	-	4	4	3	4	7	3	1	4	2	1	3	2	12	16	4	16	28
16	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	3	3
17	2	11	13	4	8	12	6	9	15	8	7	15	3	7	10	26	47	73	75	75	75
18	6	4	10	4	1	5	12	2	14	7	14	17	11	4	15	50	25	14	14	14	14
19	1	-	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	-	-	3	3	2	5	7	7	14	14	14	14
20	8	4	12	2	7	9	4	7	11	5	7	12	4	2	6	2	6	58	58	58	58
21	3	1	4	1	7	8	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	3	3	4	15	19	19	19	19
22	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2	2
23	3	-	3	2	1	2	1	1	2	2	-	3	-	-	-	10	3	13	13	13	13
24	-	2	2	-	-	-	3	2	5	1	-	1	-	-	-	8	4	12	12	12	12
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1
26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	2
27	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	1
28	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	4	4	4
29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	2	2
31	-	1	1	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	5	5	5	5
32	2	-	2	1	1	2	1	4	5	6	1	7	-	9	13	15	17	32	32	32	32
33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	3
34	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	2	-	2	2	5	5	10	10	10	10
35	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	2
All causes	33	29	62	19	37	56	37	36	73	34	29	63	34	34	68	186	200	386	386	386	386



SECTION 'B'

PREVALENCE & CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

TABLE I.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING  
THE YEAR 1958

District	Cases Notified							
	Scarlet Fever	Whooping Cough	Measles	Primary Pneumonia	Polio- myelitis	Dysentery	Erysipelas	Meningococcal Infection
Helmsley Rural	4		45	1				
Kirbymoorside Rural			25					2
Malton Rural			77		1		1	
Malton Urban			2					1
Pickering Rural	1	12	23		1			
Pickering Urban			7					
All Districts	5	12	179	1	2		1	3

Where necessary patients suffering from infectious diseases are admitted to Cross Lane Hospital, Scarborough and Yearsly Bridge Hospital, York.

TABLE II      NEW CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1958

District	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Helmsley Rural	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kirbymoorside Rural	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
Malton Rural	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Malton Urban	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Rural	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pickering Urban	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Districts	5	2	-	2	-	1	1	-

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT 1948  
SECTION 47

One female residing in Malton Rural District was removed to St. Mary's Hospital Scarborough under the above act.



CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR & SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT

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Chief Public Health Inspector, Surveyor and Water Engineer:

F.W. Stoney, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Additional Public Health Inspector:

C.H. Carr, Cert. P.H.I.E.J.B., M.A.P.H.I.

Clerk Miss R. Winspear.

Staff for Refuse Collection, Housing Repairs and General Duties:

G. Bean (Foreman), E. Beeforth (Mason), S. Shields (Mason's Labourer),

L. Atkinson and J. Colley

Sewage Disposal Plant Attendants:

E.W. Dunning and G. Carpenter

Water Bailiffs:

H. Smith & E. Beecroft

Rodent Operator: M.O. Wilson.

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR, SURVEYOR & WATER ENGINEER.

For the Year ended 31st December, 1958.



To the Chairman and Members of  
the Helmsley Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, My Lord, Miss Croysdale & Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the work of the Public Health Inspector and Surveyor's Department of your Council for the year ended 31st December, 1958.

The total number of visits of inspection made throughout the year for all purposes was 2,256 and is summarised as follows:-

GENERAL SANITATION

Sewer Connections	25
Drainage	142
Complaints investigated	35
Public Conveniences	82
Factories	25
Shops	50
Rodent Control	55
Schools	5
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PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse Collection	104
Refuse Disposal	216
Miscellaneous	36
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WATER SUPPLIES

Beadlam	10
Fangdale Beck	2
Rievaulx	7
Piethorne	39
Scawton & Cold Kirby	19
Hawnby	3
Coulton	1
Gilling East	2
Helmsley	14
Oswaldkirk	6
Ampleforth	9
Wass	7
Sproxton	3
Old Byland	3
Thorpe-le-Willows	2
Harome	3
Pockley	1
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SEWAGE WORKS

Helmsley	12
Oswaldkirk	5
Ampleforth	4
Gilling East	10
Harome, Beadlam etc	20
Sproxton	4
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## HOUSING

No. of Houses inspected under P.H. and Housing Acts	51
No. of Visits necessary to above-mentioned houses	123
No. of visits to Council Houses	358
No. of visits to Applicants for Council Houses	17
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## INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Visits re Disinfection	Nil
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## MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTION

Visits to Slaughterhouses	264
" " Butcher's Shops	156
" " Food Premises	135
" " Ice-Cream Premises	55
" " Fried Fish Shops	10
" " Bakehouses	6
Market Inspections	52
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## BUILDING BYELAWS

No. of visits re building work in progress	110
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## PETROLEUM SPIRIT REGULATIONS

Visits to establishments re storage	9
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Total Visits	2,256
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## H O U S I N G

### RURAL HOUSING SURVEY

The following details are the result of housing inspections throughout the year:-

- (i) The number of houses which on inspection were considered to be unfit for human habitation; 5.
- (ii) The number of houses the defects in which were remedied in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers; 13
- (iii) The number of representations made to the Local Authority with a view to (a) the serving of notices requiring the execution of works or (b) the making of demolition or closing orders; 5.
- (iv) The number of notices served requiring the execution of works; NIL
- (v) The number of houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices NIL
- (vi) The number of demolition or closing orders made; NIL
- (vii) The number of houses in respect of which an undertaking was accepted under sub-section (4) of Section 16 of the Housing Act, 1957; 6.
- (viii) The number of houses demolished; NIL



# RURAL HOUSING SURVEY

The table below sets out the conditions prevailing in each parish. For ease of reference private dwellings have been separated from Council owned houses, but the percentage figures relate to all houses.

<u>PARISH</u>	<u>No. of Private Houses</u>	<u>C A T E G O R Y</u>				
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Number not yet completed</u>
Ampleforth	167	41	27	67	21	11
Arden	18	3	2	8	5	-
Beadlam	35	7	10	14	4	-
Bilsdale West Side	19	1	6	9	3	-
Byland with Wass	36	2	2	5	1	26
Carlton	32	5	7	15	5	-
Cawton	15	5	4	6	-	-
Cold Kirby	24	1	4	13	4	2
Coulton	22	12	1	5	3	1
Dale Town.	6	-	2	2	2	-
Newton East & Leysthorpe	10	8	-	2	-	-
Gilling East	52	24	10	17	-	1
Grimston	15	4	6	5	-	-
Harome	84	20	28	31	15	-
Hawnby	45	6	1	27	10	1
Helmsley	305	72	102	112	19	-
Laskill Pasture	12	-	1	8	3	-
Murton	7	-	1	6	-	-
Old Byland	25	2	6	10	7	-
Oldstead	23	6	4	11	-	2
Oswaldkirk	57	19	21	9	7	1
Pockley	28	3	5	16	2	2
Rievaulx	39	7	5	19	6	2
Scawton	21	-	-	8	1	12
Snilesworth	15	1	1	9	2	2
Sproxton	29	3	1	18	2	5
Stonegrave	25	6	3	13	1	2
Thorpe-le-Willows	8	-	-	4	-	4
	<u>1,174</u>	<u>258</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>469</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>74</u>
<u>Council</u>						
Ampleforth	49	49				
Beadlam	34	34				
Cawton	1	1				
Gilling East	6	6				
Harome	19	19				
Helmsley	118	118				
Old Byland	2	2				
Oswaldkirk	8	8				
Pockley	6	6				
Sproxton	6	6				
Totals:-	<u>252</u>	<u>252</u>				
Combined Totals	1,426.	510	250	469	123	74
Percentages		35.7%	17.5%	16.1%	8.6%	5.1%

## HOUSING ACT 1949

Eight applications for grant-aid from private owners under the Housing Act, 1949, were received. The total amount of approved expenses for these eight improvements was £4,145. 0. 0. and grant aid of £1,826. 10. 0 was paid by the Council.

### COUNCIL HOUSE PROGRAMME

Site	Type	Total
Ampleforth	Brick	49
Beadlam	Airey & Brick	34
Cawton	Stone	1
Coulton	Brick	3
Gilling East	Stone	6
Harome	Airey, Brick & Stone	19
Helmsley	Brick & Stone	118
Old Byland	Stone	2
Oswaldkirk	Stone	8
Pockley	Brick & Stone	6
Sproxton	Stone	6
Total:-		252

At the end of the year there were 58 applicants for Council Houses still outstanding 15 of these were from persons living or working without this district.

The number of houses completed and occupied under private enterprise is as follows:-

Site	Type	Completed during year	Constructing	Total
Ampleforth	Stone	2	-	2

### HOUSING ESTATE MAINTENANCE

Routine housing repairs have been carried out during the year by the Mason and Plumber and their respective labourers. All of these works were done in conjunction with normal routine maintenance of water supplies and sewerage disposal.

The Council's painting programme during the year covered 42 houses as set out below:-

Geldgate Ampleforth	12
Valley View, Ampleforth	20
The Paddock, Helmsley	4
Deech Grove, Beadlam	6
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Rose Cottage at Cawton which was the only Council House without water borne sewage facilities was connected up to a septic tank and a W.C. constructed. All Council Houses now have hot and cold water supplies, bathroom and W.C's.

### TEMPORARY HOUSING

There is no temporary housing in the district.

# FOOD ADMINISTRATION

Six samples of milk were taken from producer retailers in the district and submitted for bacteriological examination.

Twenty-three dairies are registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949.

There are three licensed slaughterhouses in the area; slaughtering is carried out at only two.

These slaughterhouses are constantly under supervision, and all animals slaughtered for human consumption are examined.

Handling and storage of meat by local butchers was found to be reasonably good.

During the year the following items were condemned as unfit for human consumption.

<u>Carcases</u>	<u>Organs (Beast)</u>	<u>Organs (Sheep)</u>
8 Sheep 1 Pig	4 part Livers	1 Pluck

During the year there were 855 animals dealt with and all condemned items were disposed of by incineration.

	Cattle excluding Cows			Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
	Cows	Cows	Calves		
Number killed (if known)	249	-	1	415	190
Number inspected	249	-	1	415	190
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis</u>					
(a) Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	8	1
(b) Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	4	-	-	1	-
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis;	1.6%	-	-	2.16%	.52%
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
(a) Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Carcase of which some part or organ was condemned;	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis;	-	-	-	-	-

Food premises in the area, by type of business are as follows:-

Hotels	Cafes	Grocers	General Shops dealing in limited quantities of foodstuffs	Bakehouses
7	3	6	11	4

There are, in addition 6 licensed premises other than hotels.



The number of food premises registered under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938 is as follows:-

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<u>Butchers Shops</u>	<u>Fish Fryers</u>	<u>Ice-Cream Retailers</u>
4	3	13

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#### SHOPS, STALLS AND VEHICLES

Regular supervision was maintained of closed vehicles dealing in fish and vegetables, and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

#### FOOD PREPERATION PREMISES

Inspections of hotels, restaurants and other premises dealing in the preparation of food have been carried out, and conditions were found to be satisfactory.

#### ICE-CREAM

No ice-cream is manufactured in the district. Those shops registered for the sale of ice-cream all deal in the pre-packed form.

#### FOOD POISONING

No cases of food poisoning were reported during the year.

#### SHELL FISH REGULATIONS

No action has been taken during the year.

#### BAKEHOUSES

Four bakehouses in the area have been visited regularly, and satisfactory conditions have been found.

#### OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no Designated Offensive Trades in the area.

#### FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 and 1948

Several visits were made to factories and workshops in the area. There is one outworker in the district.

### W A T E R   S U P P L Y

There are pipes water supplies to all the villages in the area some of which are privately owned. It is difficult to maintain a satisfactory supply to some of these villages due either to the poor quality of the water available or the inadequacy of the supply. Outlying farms and properties in the remote districts are supplied by privately owned springs.

At the end of the year five new services to properties were provided and thirty houses were drawing supplies from standpipes.

The Piethorne water scheme with booster supplies from the Ryedale Joint Water Board main at Stony Cross has worked satisfactorily throughout the year. The proposed scheme for an extension to Carlton, where the existing Estate Supply is of both poor quality and quantity was commenced during July 1958 and by the end of the year was almost complete, it is expected that this scheme will be operating by February 1959.



The Southern Area Supply Scheme is proving a satisfactory and adequate scheme and the Southern Area Extension Scheme which was being held up by various negotiations should soon reach a final state when it can be considered by the Ministry. Consideration to this scheme is becoming a much more urgent necessity as the supply available through Hagg Hall Rams is totally inadequate and it has been found necessary to lead water for a considerable part of the year, consequently agricultural and other developments are being held up by lack of water.

#### ADMINISTRATION

My Department which is also responsible for water supplies owned jointly by this Council and the Kirkbymoorside Rural District Council from Piethorne employ two water bailiffs both full time, their work includes the alteration of supplies to non-domestic users, tapping mains for new connections, maintenance, repairs and improvements.

With the exception of a few agricultural properties where metering has proved extremely difficult to carry out, the majority of agricultural premises are now being supplied with water by meter. There were 210 meters installed at the end of the year.

During the year 44 visits were made to the joint schemes and 78 to others a total of 122 apart from the numerous visits made by the bailiffs.

#### QUALITY OF SUPPLY

During the year 99 samples of the various water supplies in the district were submitted for bacteriological examination, 71 proved to be satisfactory and 28 unsatisfactory. Unsatisfactory results were followed up and extra supervision of these supplies and any cleaning out of tanks etc. found necessary was carried out until the supplies improved.

The following table sets out the particulars of the water supplies in the area of the Helmsley Rural District Council:-

Nature of Supply	Owner	District Served	Nature of Supply
Piethorne	(Helmsley & Kirkbymoorside Joint Water Committee)	Harome, Beadlan, Wombledon, Pockley Skiplan & Nawton Tower	Springs with gravitation by cast iron mains supplemented by Ryedale Water Board.
Southern Area Distribution Scheme	Helmsley R.D.C.	Ampleforth, Byland- with-Mass, Cawton, Coulton, Gilling East, Leysthorpe, Nunnington East, Stonegrave, Oswaldkirk and Sproxton.	"
Helmsley Town	Helmsley R.D.C.	Helmsley Town	Springs with gravitation
Rievaulx Carlton	Duncombe Park Estate Duncombe Park Estate	Rievaulx Carlton	" "
Old Byland	Helmsley R.D.C.	Old Byland	Hydraulic Rams
Hawnby	Mexborough Estate	Hawnby	Springs with gravitation
Thorpe-le-Willows Scawton & Cold Kirby	Helmsley R.D.C. Helmsley R.D.C.	Thorpe-le-Willows Scawton, Cold Kirby & Hambleton	" Hydraulic Rams

## PUBLIC CLEANSING

Refuse disposal by means of complete controlled tipping is being carried out at the new refuse tip at Pockley Dale which was opened last year.

By means of close and careful supervision and with the full co-operation of the refuse collection staff, the tip has been maintained at all times in a clean and tidy condition. Large quantities of paper and combustible matter make the control of this tip extremely difficult but prohibition of fires of any sort coupled with complete covering and sealing of the refuse, which is never allowed to become more than 8ft thick, has meant that the tip has never been in danger of catching fire by any means.

This rigid controlling of the disposal of refuse inevitably caused extra work and introduced overtime but a careful study of the collection system enabled a number of alterations to be made in the collection routing. This has enabled the staff to carry out the collection and disposal during normal working hours.

All parishes of the Rural District are served with the exception of isolated and out-lying farmsteads and approximately 2,500 tons of refuse was disposed of during the year.

House refuse is collected on a fortnightly basis by direct labour using a Karrier C.K. 3 - 10 cubic yard capacity refuse vehicle.

## DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

There are six sewage disposal works situated in the area, five of which deal exclusively with the treatment of sewage from this area, namely Helmsley, Oswaldkirk, Sproxton, Gilling East and Ampleforth. The sixth sewage disposal works at Wombledon serves the parishes of Beadlam, Harome, Newton and Wombledon and is administered by this Department under the Joint Committee of the Helmsley and Kirkbymoorside Rural District Councils.

The Helmsley Sewage Works are of an outdated design and are inadequate to deal successfully with the amount of sewage which now comes from Helmsley town. There are constant complaints from the River Board and users of the river that the effluent from the works is polluting the river and destroying the fish. A scheme has been prepared for a new sewage disposal works and this proposal has been submitted to the Ministry for consideration. An enquiry was held by a Ministry Inspector and it is expected that approval will be given to the scheme early in the new year.

## CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

During the year eight privies were converted to the water carriage system in the various parishes of the district. There were also two houses built both of which had water closet accommodation.

## SALVAGE

There is no salvage scheme in operation in this area.

## RECHARGEABLE WORK

Rechargeable work to the value of £74. 1s. 9d. was carried out during the year.

## PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Public Conveniences at Helmsley operated satisfactorily throughout the year, and have again proved a great benefit in dealing with the additional traffic through the town.

## SHOPS

Numerous visits have been carried out and no statutory action has been found necessary.



## S M O K E   A B A T E M E N T

No action has been found necessary.

## S W I M M I N G   B A T H S   A N D   P O O L S

There are no publicly owned pools in the area but there are privately owned swimming pools at Ampleforth College and Duncombe Park School.

## R O D E N T   C O N T R O L

The Rodent Operative employed jointly by this Council in conjunction with the Kirkhymoorside Rural District Council to carry out their obligations under the prevention of damage by pests Act, 1949, has been fully engaged throughout the year. Regular treatments were carried out on the Council-owned refuse tips, sewers and sewage disposal works together with open ditches. The number of properties surveyed was 976 and 218 treatments were carried out.

The sum of £151. 7s. 9d. is recoverable for work carried out on business premises.

## H O U S E   A N D   B U I L D I N G   P L A N S

Visits were carried out in the administration of Byelaws in force in the area.

The following plans for new building work were approved by the Council:-

Ampleforth	9		40
Beadlam	4	Harome	4
Cawton	2	Oswaldkirk	5
Coulton	1	Old Byland	1
Cold Kirby	1	Sproxtun	1
Gilling East	3	Stonegrave	3
Grimston	1	Scawton	2
Hawnby	5	Wass	1
Helmsley	14		
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	40	Total	57
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## S C H O O L S

Visits have been made to the schools in the area, and minor matters arising from these visits have been satisfactorily dealt with.

## C O N C L U S I O N

In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, My Lord Miss Croysdale and Gentlemen, I would like to record my appreciation of the courtesy and assistance extended to me during the year by the Council, and also to tender my thanks to Dr. W.R.M. Couper, Medical Officer of Health, for his co-operation and to Mr. C.H. Carr Additional Public Health Inspector, and the other members of my staff for their loyal support.

I am,

Mr. Chairman, My Lord Miss Croysdale and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

F.W. STONEY.

Chief Public Health Inspector, Surveyor and Water Engineer.







